

Gulf of Mexico Harmful Algal Bloom Bulletin 9 July 2007

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Conditions Report

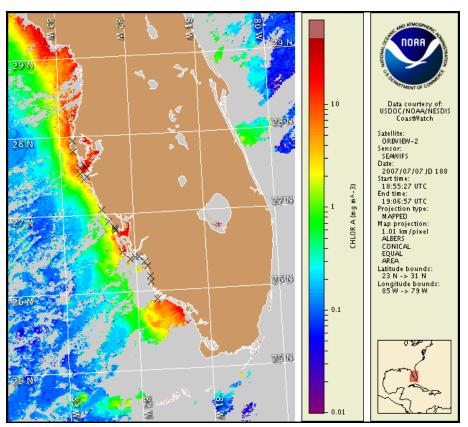
There is currently no indication of harmful algal bloom presence alongshore southwest Florida, including the Keys region. No impacts are expected in any Florida county today through Sunday, July 15.

Analysis

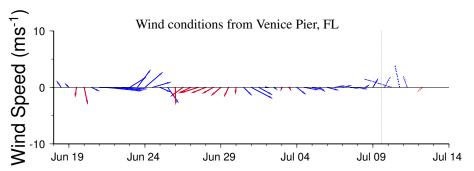
Recent samples and satellite imagery do not indicate the presence of harmful algal blooms either on or offshore southwest Florida. Chlorophyll levels remain elevated in patches along the coast due to nonharmful algae. Background concentrations of *Karenia brevis* were detected in samples last week near Treasure Island in Pinellas County (7/2, FWRI); this does not indicate the presence of a bloom. Conditions are not favorable for bloom formation through Sunday July 15, and no impacts are expected along the coast.

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Satellite chlorophyll image with possible HAB areas shown by red polygon(s). Cell concentration sampling data from June 29-July 5 shown as red squares (high), red triangles (medium), red diamonds (low b), red circles (low a), orange circles (very low b), yellow circles (very low a), green circles (present), and black "X" (not present). For a list of cell count data providers and a key to the cell concentration categories, please see the the HABFS bulletin guide: http://www.csc.noaa/gov/crs/habf/habfs_bulletin_guide.pdf

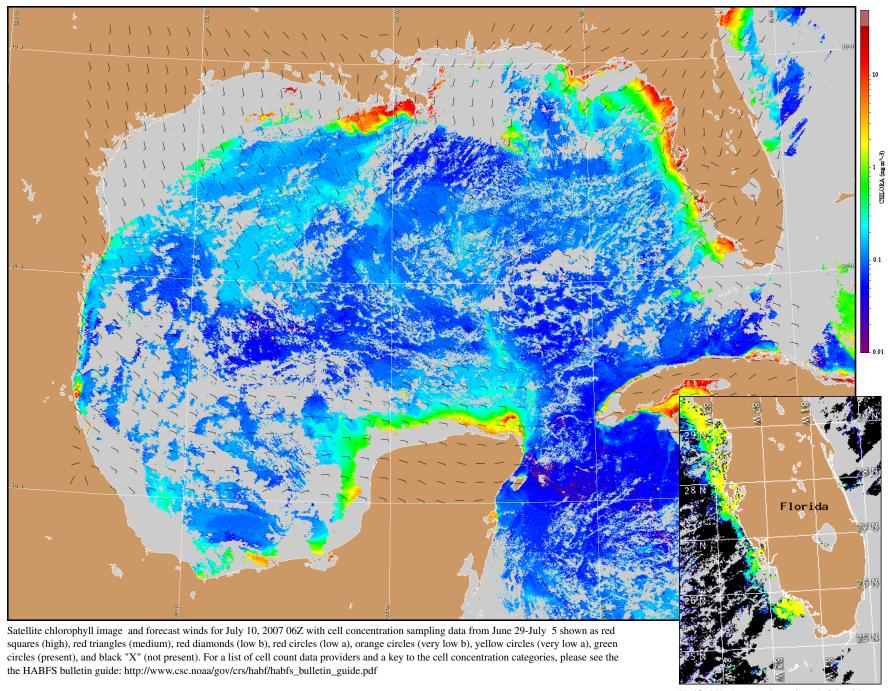


Wind speed and direction are averaged over 12 hours from buoy measurements. Length of line indicates speed; angle indicates direction. Red indicates that the wind direction favors upwelling near the coast. Values to the left of the dotted vertical line are measured values; values to the right are forecasts.

South to southeasterly winds today through Friday at 5-10 knots (3-5 m/s).

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Verified HAB areas shown in red. Other bloom areas shown in yellow (see p. 1 analysis for interpretation).